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### MISSOURI WEEKLY FEEDER CATTLE WEIGHTED AVERAGE REPORT

Receipts 25,676; Week ago 29,962; Year ago 21,349 Medium and Large 1 (Medium Flesh)

Fdr. STEERS:		Fdr. HEIFERS:		Hols. STEERS	
365 lbs. 451 lbs.		364 lbs. 453 lbs.		476 lbs. 573 lbs.	84.93 92.56
546 lbs.	126.24	550 lbs.	115.59	652 lbs.	92.94
636 lbs. 738 lbs.		652 lbs. 740 lbs.		744 lbs. 831 lbs.	86.99 87.31
818 lbs.		846 lbs.	104.73		07.51

#### SOUTHERN MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(West Plains)

Receipts: 5200; Week ago 6040; Year ago 4912 Compared to last week, steers 2.00 to 3.00 higher, heifers 1.00 to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls steady to 1.00 lower.

<u>STEERS:</u>		<u>HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and Large 1		Medium and Large 1		
300-400 lbs.	135.00-146.00	300-400 lbs.	128.00-134.00	
400-500 lbs.	124.00-139.00	400-500 lbs.	116.50-128.00-	
500-600 lbs.	122.00-127.00	500-600 lbs.	112.00-119.00	
600-700 lbs.	113.50-123.00	600-700 lbs.	108.50-115.00	
700-800 lbs.	117.00-122.00	700-800 lbs.	105.00-110.50	
800-900 lbs.	107.00-111.00	800-900 lbs.	102.50-107.50	
Large 3 F Lot 644 lbs. Lot 807 lbs. 850-900 lbs.	89.00 87.50 85.00-87.00	SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 49.00-56.50, high dressing 56.00-59.00. Lean (85-90%) 44.50-49.50, low dressing 36.50- 44.50.		
SLAUGHTER BIGGRADE STATE	100 lbs 62.50- ng 68.00-71.50, 0-62.50  AIRS: Medium rs to bm 100- y to 250 lb 0.00 per pair, to ss 700-900 00 lb calves	660.00-800.00 p fancier red and t 810.00-940.00 p 960-1175 lbs 50 head, few 4 to 6 1st stage mostly	nd and 3rd stage her head, couple black packages her head, ss to bm 0.00-660.00 per yrs 880-1060 lbs 520.00-695.00 per whiteface 725.00. 4 to 6 yrs 1st	

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#### SOUTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Joplin and Springfield)

Feeder Cattle Receipts 6162; week ago 5809; year ago 8038 Cow and Bull Receipts 1570; week ago 1421; year ago 1000 Compared to last week, steers and heifer steady. Slaughter cows mostly steady to 1.00 lower, bulls steady

<u>STEERS:</u> Medium and Large 1	<u>HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1	
300-400 lbs. 136.00-152.00 400-500 lbs. 125.50-140.00 500-600 lbs. 118.0-127.50 600-700 lbs. 118.00-125.00 700-800 lbs. 113.50-123.50 800-900 lbs. Scarce	300-400 lbs. 114.00-129.50 400-500 lbs. 112.00-123.00 500-600 lbs. 108.00-118.50 600-700 lbs. 107.00-116.00 700-800 lbs. 105.50-110.50	
HOLSTEINS: Large Frame 3  400-500 lbs. 84.00-89.00 500-600 lbs. 85.00-101.50 600-700 lbs. 83.00-98.00 700-800 lbs. 83.00-92.00 800-900 lbs. 87.00-88.50 900-1000 lbs. Scarde	SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 50.00-57.50, high dressing 56.00-62.00 Lean (85-90%) 41.00-48.00, low dressing 33.00-45.50.  SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1195-2565 lbs 62.50-68.00; high dressing 67.00-72.50, low dressing 53.50-63.00.	
REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, 2 yrs to ss 2nd and 3rd stage 950-1350 lbs 685.00-910.00, several extra good quality 985.00-1000.00 per head, 1st stage 975-1275 lbs 630.00-850.00 per head.	COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 2yrs to ss 975-1325 lbs with baby to 340 lb calves some rebred 925.00-1150.00, several three-in-one packages with 295-360 lb calves rebred 1st stage 1200.00-1250.00 per pair.	

#### NORTHWEST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Maryville, St Joe)

Receipts: 777, Week ago 954, Year ago 835

and Large 1-2 pkg 5 to 6 yrs 1300-

1400 lbs with 100-150 lb calves

1000.00 per pair.

Compared to last week not enough feeder steers steady to 5.00 higher. Heifers 3.00 to 5.0 lower. Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00 lower.

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	<u>STEERS:</u> nd Large 1-2	<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1-2		
	8-		8-	
300-400 lbs.	152.00	300-400 lbs.	Scarce	
400-500 lbs.	134.00	400-500 lbs.	112.50-121.50	
500-600 lbs.	1125.00-130.75	500-600 lbs.	110.00-114.00	
600-700 lbs.	129.50-134.00	600-700 lbs.	110.00	
700-800 lbs.	120.00	700-800 lbs.	110.25	
800-900 lbs.	Scarce	800-900 lbs.	107.10	
900-1000 lbs.	Scarce	900-1000 lbs.	Scarce	
REPLACEMENT	Γ COWS: Medium	SLAUGHTER C	OWS: Breaking	
and Large 1-2 Sc	arce	and Boning (70-8	35% lean) 48.00-	
		55.00, high dress	ing 50.00-58.00,	
		Lean (85-90%) 3	9.00-45.50.	
COW & CALF P	AIRS: Medium	SLAUGHTER B	ULLS: Yield	

63.00.

Grade 1-2, 1615-2335 lbs. 60.00-

#### WEST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Sedalia, Kingsville, Passaic)

Receipts 2740; Week ago 3708; Year ago 3433

Compared to last week feeder steers and heifers mixed 2.00 lower to 3.00 higher. Slaughter cows were steady to 1.00 lower.

	STEERS: Large 1 and 1-2		HEIFERS: Large 1 and 1-2
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	126.00-147.00 123.00-141.00 116.50-131.50 112.75-131.25 110.50-123.75 113.00-117.50	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs.	116.50-133.00 113.00-123.00 107.50-119.25 105.00-121.35 108.00-114.85
REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2 2 yrs to ss, 935-1375 lbs, 2nd-3rd stage, 700.00-1100.00 per head.		and Boning (75-	
COW & CALF P and Large 1-2 3 lbs with 140-160 1175.00 per pair.	yrs, 1140-1180	SLAUGHTER E Grade 1-2, 1200- 70.00, high dress low dressing 54.	-2195 lbs 62.25- sing 71.25-72.00,

## (Bowling Green, Kingdom City, Boonville) Receipts: 4740; Week ago 3741; Year ago 3276

Compared to last week, feeder steer and heifer steady to firm. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower.

EAST CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

FEEDER STEERS:		<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> :		
Medium and Large 1& 1-2		Medium and Large 1 & 1-2		
350-400 lbs.	122.00-142.50	350-400 lbs.	115.00-131.00	
400-500 lbs.	125.00-151.00	400-500 lbs.	110.00-128.00	
500-600 lbs.	123.00-134.00	500-600 lbs.	109.00-123.50	
600-700 lbs.	115.00-131.00	600-700 lbs.	109.00-119.00	
700-800 lbs.	112.00-125.00	700-800 lbs.	107.00-114.75	
800-850 lbs.	110.00-120.00	800-850 lbs.	Scarce	
SLAUGHTER STEERS: Select and Choice 2-3 86.50-91.50		Boning, and Lea	h dressing 50.00-	
and Choice 2-3 Scarce		SLAUGHTER E Grade 1-2, 1400- 67.00, few high 6 74.50	-2200 lbs 60.00-	

#### NORTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Palmyra, Green City, New Cambria, Macon ) Feeder Cattle Receipts 2364; week ago 997; year ago 1579 Slaughter Cattle Receipts 137; week ago 74; year ago 140 Feeder steers and heifers steady to 3.00 higher. Slaughter cows steady to 2.00 lower. Slaughter steers and heifers 1.00 to 1.50 higher.

	STEERS: nd Large 1-2	<u>FEEDER HEIFERS</u> : Medium and Large 1-2		
300-400 lbs. 400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs. 600-700 lbs. 700-800 lbs. 800-900 lbs.	110.23 123.73	400-500 lbs. 500-600 lbs.	120.00-135.00 118.00-131.00 116.75-125.50 112.00-122.25 110.50-118.40 105.40-110.00	
<u>SLAUGHTER S'</u> 2-3 1075-1475 lb		SLAUGHTER C and Boning (75-8 60.50, low dressi	35% lean) 51.50-	
<u>SLAUGHTER H</u> 2-3 1050-1300 lb		SLAUGHTER B Grade 1-2, 1350- 70.00		

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 4-7 yrs 1050-1500 lbs with baby to 250 lb calves 1100.00-1300.00 per pair

REPLACEMENT COWS: Large 1-2 2-5 yrs, 900-1000 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage, 900.00 per head

#### SOUTHEAST MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Fruitland, Patton)

Receipts 1908; Week ago: 1752; Year ago 1427

Compared to last week feeders mixed, 2.00 lower to 2.00 higher. Slaughter cows and bulls 1.00 to 2.00 lower.

Medium and Large 1-2			Medium and Large 1-2		
	300-400 lbs.	114.00-132.00	300-400 lbs.	102.00-117.00	
	400-500 lbs.	110.50-124.00	400-500 lbs.	95.00-113.00	
	500-600 lbs.	103.00-116.50	500-600 lbs.	95.00-111.00	
	600-700 lbs.	102.50-116.00		93.00-110.75	
	700-800 lbs	105 00	700-800 lbs	106 50	

REPLACEMENT COWS:

Medium and Large 1-2, 4 to 7 yrs, 890-1320 lbs 2nd and 3rd stage 510.00-775.00 per head.

FEEDER STEERS:

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and Large 1-2 3-7 yrs, 870-1440 lbs with baby to 290 lbs calves 740.00-1030.00 per pair.

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and boning (75-85% lean) 45.25-52.50; high dressing 51.50-57.00, Lean 35.25-41.25.

**FEEDER HEIFERS**:

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1-2, 1375-1940 lbs, 53.00-59.25, high dressing 60.75.

#### SOUTH CENTRAL MISSOURI WEEKLY SUMMARY

(Cuba, Vienna)

Receipts: 2698, Week ago 4040, Year ago 2676 Compared to last week feeder steers under 500 lbs steady to 2.00 higher, over 500 lbs steady to 2.00 lower. Heifers under 550 lbs steady to 3.00 higher, over 550 lbs steady. Slaughter cows steady to 1.00 lower.

Medium and Large I		Medium and Large 1-2		
300-400 lbs.	Scarce	300-400 lbs.	120.00-128.50	
400-500 lbs.	125.00-135.50	400-500 lbs.	114.00-125.00	
500-600 lbs.	122.00-135.25	500-600 lbs	111.00-120.50	
600-700 lbs.	116.50-132.50	600-700 lbs.	107.00-113.50	
700-800 lbs.	113.50-116.50	700-800 lbs.	105.00-110.00	

REPLACEMENT COWS: Medium and Large 1-2, Scarce

FEEDER STEERS:

SLAUGHTER COWS: Breaking and Boning (70-85% lean) 47.00-53.00, high dressing 51.50-57.00, Lean (85-90%) 40.00-48.00, low dressing 33.00-41.50

FEEDER HEIFERS:

COW & CALF PAIRS: Medium and SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Large 1-2 4 to 5 yrs 1000-1175 lbs with 275-325 lb calves 1050.00-1210.00 per pair.

Grade 1-2, 1300-2000 lbs 58.00-65.00, low dressing 52.00-57.00.

#### MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT SLAUGHTER CATTLE REPORT

Weekly Receipts 1000; Week ago 800; Year ago 400 Compared to last week trade active on Thursday, live sales 1.00 to 2.00 higher, and dressed sales on a grid basis 2.00 to 4.00 higher.

STEERS: 50% Choice 1100-STEERS AND HEIFERS: 1300 lbs 93.00-94.00 No Sales

**HEIFERS**: No sales GRADE AND WEIGHT (Grid): Choice 3 550-950 lbs 148.00-152.00

#### INTERIOR MISSOURI DIRECT HOGS

Weekly Receipts 7502, Week ago 10,242; Year ago 9678 Compared to last weeks close barrows and gilts 3.00-4.00 lower, Sows steady to 1.00 higher

BARROWS AND GILTS: SOWS:

Base carcass meat price 58.00 300-500 lbs 33.00-36.00 Weeks top Mon 60.00 Over 500 lbs 36.00-40.00

#### MISSOURI WEEKLY DIRECT WEANER AND FEEDER PIG REPORT

Receipts: 9571 (08-31-07)

Compared to last week, weaner pigs 1.00 lower and feeder pigs not tested. Supply and Demand Moderate.

All pig prices based on a delivered basis including freight and fees.

Early weaned pigs 10 lb base weights Delivered 93% formulated 9571 head 10 lbs 20.00-39.56, weighted average 10 lbs 34.54

Feeder pigs 40-50 base weights Delivered 0 % formulated

No sales reported

#### WHOLESALE FEEDSTUFFS PRICES (DOLLARS PER TON-BULK BASIS)

Area	Soybean Meal 48% Solvent	Cottonseed Meal 41% Solvent	Meat Meal	Wheat Middlings
Kansas City	226.50	175.50	227.50	95.00
St. Louis	242.50	167.50	237.50	72.00

Missouri Weekly Hay Summary

Temperatures varied last week from cool to quite hot and to pretty nice again. Much of the state is starting to see some grass green and start to grow after rains fell. Some areas, although much less than two weeks ago are still quite dry. Several offerings of new hay becoming available to buyers, however due to low yields this spring and little carryover last year prices are holding fully steady and even increasing in some areas. The hay supply is moderate to light, demand is moderate and prices are mostly steady. The Missouri Department of Agriculture has a hay hotline available for both buyers and sellers, call 1-800-877-4HAY (4429) ( (All prices per ton unless specified) Supreme quality Alfalfa(RFV>185) 150.00-180.00 premium quality Alfalfa(RFV170-180) 140.00-175.00 Fair to Good quality Alfalfa (RFV130-170) Round bales 80.00-140.00 Small, Big squares 90.00-160.00 Good quality mixed Alfalfa and grass small square bales 3.00-6.50 per bale, 40.00-75.00 per large round bale, Good to Premium quality Prairie hay small squares 80.00-125.00, Fair to good quality Prairie hay 50.00-75.00, Premium Quality Brome large Squares 80.00-130.00 Good quality Brome 70.00-120.00 Fair quality Brome and mixed with grass round bales 35.00-50.00. Good quality Timothy Hay 3.00-4.50 per small square bale, Good quality Mixed Grass hay 30.00-60.00 per round bale. Fair to good quality bluestem 40.00 per round bale, Fair to good quality Bermuda grass 65.00 per round bale, Wheat hay 50.00-70.00, Wheat straw 1.75-3.50 per small bale.

Springfield Dairy Sale 08/28/07

Receipts: 876 Last Month: 650 Year Ago: 705 Springer heifers: Bred 7-9 months: Supreme 2050.00-2450.00; Ind. Jersey 1925.00 Ind. Crossbred 2035.00; Approved 1775.00-2075.00; Crossbreds 1700.00-1800.00, Medium 1400.00-1725.00, Bred 3-6 months: Supreme 2100.00-2350.00; Crossbreds 2000.00-2150.00; Approved 1800.00-2080.00, Crossbreds 1800.00-1975.00, Medium 1425.00-1775.00, Open Heifers Approved 300-400 lbs 875.00-910.00; 400-500 lbs 1150.00-1240.00; 500-600 lbs 1275.00-1420.00; 600-700 lbs 1370.00-1380.00, pkg. 4 head Jerseys 640 lbs 1660.00, 700-800 lbs 1380-1400.00. Springer Cows 7-9 months bred Supreme Ind. 1800.00, Reg. Jersey 2125.00. Baby Calves: Holstein Heifers 425.00-685.00, crossbred heifers 135.00-275.00, Holstein bulls 100.00-140.00, small 30.00-85.00.

#### **Oregon County Goat and Sheep Market** (Koshkonong 08/25/2007)

Receipts: 351 Last Month: 174 Year Ago: 314

Compared to the last market date of July 28, kid goats over 60 lbs were steady, under 60 lbs 3.00 higher. Does and bucks were 5.00 to 15.00 higher. Sheep where tested last month, steady. All sheep and goats graded by MO Dept of Ag-USDA Graders and bought per cwt. Goats Slaughte Classes: Kids: Selection 1 45-60 lbs 98.00; 61-80 lbs 90.00. Selection 2 45-60 lbs 83.00. Selection 1-2 81 lbs and up 70.00. Selection 3 45-60 lbs 73.00. Feeder Kids all grades 20-44 lbs 70.00. Slaughter Does/Nannies Selection 1-2 55.00, Selection 3 35.00 per cwt. Yearling Does any grade 65.00. Slaughter Bucks: any grade yearling 60.00 per cwt Selection 3 35.00 per cwt., aged wethers 100 lbs and over any grade 45.00 per cwt Sheep Slaughter Lambs: wooled or haired Good and Choice 2-3 80 lbs and under 65.00-75.00 per cwt., Good 2-4 80 lbs and under 55.00-60.00 per cwt, 80 lbs and under 55.00-60.00 per cwt. Hair lambs Choice 3 81 lbs and over 75.00 per cwt. Feeder Lambs: not tested. Slaughter Ewes: no tested. Slaughter Rams: Not tested. (all prices per cwt.)

#### WEEKLY COMMODITY GRAIN FUTURES TRENDS

Compared to last Friday: Soybeans .16 to .19 higher, Wheat .14 to .42 higher, Corn .16 to .18 lower, KC Wheat .14 to .38 higher, Soybean meal 5.00 to 6.10 higher.

#### Daily Grain Futures Closes

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Soybeans Sep Nov Jan Mar May	856 1/2 872 3/4 888 1/4 899 908	855 1/4 872 1/4 888 897 1/2 905	858 1/2 874 1/4 889 1/2 900 907	870 1/2 885 899 1/2 910 1/4 914	868 882 1/2 898 907 1/2 913
Wheat Sep Dec Mar May Jul	722 1/4 738 739 682 591	720 1/2 738 1/4 739 683 592	742 758 1/2 756 694 599	770 784 1/2 777 1/2 711 610	767 775 1/2 771 1/4 707 601
Corn Sep Dec Mar May Jul	335 3/4 353 369 1/4 378 3/4 387 3/4	327 1/4 344.3/4 361 1/2 371 379 3/4	322 3/4 340 1/4 357 366 375 1/4	322 3/4 339 3/4 356 364 3/4 374 3/4	324 340 356 366 375 1/2
KC Wheat Sep Dec Mar May Jul	681 697 1/4 699 654 580	680 1/2 698 1/4 698 1/2 663 581 3/4	695 1/4 712 1/2 709 670 587	720 3/4 733 1/2 727 1/2 686 592	721 731 1/4 733 1/2 684 594 1/2
SB Meal Sep Oct Dec Jan Mar	235.90 238.20 242.70 245.50 248.20	234.80 237.50 242.00 244.70 247.80	235.00 237.50 242.50 245.00 247.90	240.00 242.10 246.60 249.50 252.50	239.80 241.10 245.70 247.70 251.30

#### WEEKLY COMMODITY FUTURES TREND

Compared to last Friday: Live Cattle .05 to .92 lower, Lean Hogs .15 to 3.80 lower, Pork Bellies .80 to 2.80 lower, Feeder Cattle .38 to .68 lower.

Daily Futures Closes					
	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thu.	Fri.
Cattle Aug Oct Dec Feb Apr	94.20 97.75 100.75 100.92 100.62	94.40 97.60 100.80 100.65 100.50	94.65 98.05 100.90 100.87 100.87	94.57 97.07 99.90 100.47 100.27	94.10 96.90 100.02 100.37 100.45
Lean Hogs Oct Dec Feb Apr May	67.70 67.32 68.80 69.47 73.10	67.90 68.02 69.75 69.82 73.30	67.75 68.75 70.10 70.47 73.75	67.85 68.97 70.27 70.55 73.55	66.82 68.82 70.05 70.80 73.90
Prk Bel Aug Feb Mar May Jul	71.32 92.05 92.20 93.05 96.80	71.00 91.00 91.05 92.55 95.50	91.57 91.10 93.00 95.50	92.00 91.60 93.00 95.95	90.40 90.45 92.25 95.00
Fdr Cat Aug Sep Oct Nov Jan	117.77 118.57 118.87 118.95 116.20	118.00 118.45 118.85 118.97 116.20	118.15 119.00 119.35 119.22 116.47	117.62 117.97 118.15 118.17 115.55	117.52 117.62 117.82 115.42
Milk Aug Sep Oct	19.83 19.79 18.99	19.83 19.95 19.33	19.85 20.25 19.85	19.87 20.27 19.96	20.22 19.85

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#### MISSOURI GRAIN WEEKLY TRENDS

Soybeans .12 to .24 higher Wheat .38 to .40 higher Corn .19 lower to .03 higher Grain Sorghum .34 higher

Weekly Missouri Selected Cash Grain Bids

Area	#1 Soy- bean	#2 Soft Wheat	#2 Corn	#2 Grain Sorghum
Kansas City Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	8.18 8.17 8.19 8.30 8.28	6.26 6.26 6.40 6.66 6.84	3.19 3.20 3.20 3.20 3.20	5.59 5.45 5.36 5.36 5.36
St. Louis Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	7.78-7.87 7.77-7.86 7.86-7.99 8.04-8.05 8.03-8.04	6.27 6.26 6.57 6.90 6.84	2.89 2.74-2.90 2.84-2.91 2.91-3.01 3.00-3.05	5.73 5.58 5.50 5.58 5.67
Central Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	7.64-7.67 7.63-7.65 7.65-7.69 7.76-7.81 7.74-7.78	6.12-6.32 6.11-6.31 6.32-6.52 6.60-6.80 6.57-6.77	3.13-3.16 3.05 3.00 3.00-3.05 3.00-3.05	5.05 4.91 4.82 4.82 4.82
S.E. MO Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	7.57-7.76 7.62-7.76 7.64-7.73 7.68-7.82 7.75-7.89	6.05-6.13 6.04-6.12 6.33-6.37 6.62-6.65 6.57-6.76	2.48-2.64 2.40-2.53 2.44-2.47 2.41-2.47 2.50-2.54	5.33-5.85 5.32-5.67 5.26-5.48 5.35-5.64 5.37-5.64

(PRICES PER BU. EXCEPT GR. SORG. PER CWT)
\*NEW CROP

#### Weekly Crop Report

Significant rainfall arrived during the week, helping soybeans, sorghum, pastures, third-cutting hay, and late-planted corn. Rainfall was locally heavy. Flash flooding occurred in parts of Greene and Polk Counties, where 12 to 15 inches of rain fell, causing damage to buildings and crops. By contrast, the southeastern quarter of the state was left mostly dry. An area encompassing the southeast district, southern counties in the east-central district, and the eastern half of the southcentral district is suffering from moderate to extreme drought. Dryland crops are under severe stress, while pastures are in very poor condition with little to no grass growth. Topsoil moisture at the state level is rated 27 percent very short, 35 percent short, 35 percent adequate, and 3 percent surplus, a substantial improvement from last week. There were 5.1 days suitable for fieldwork. The corn crop is 78 percent dented, 8 days behind last year and 3 days behind normal. Thirty percent is mature, 8 days behind last year and 4 days behind the 5-year average of 39 percent. Harvest has started in every district. The southeast district is 26 percent complete, while producers in northern areas are just starting to combine the earliest-planted fields, seed corn fields, and fields lodged from wind. Silage harvest is virtually complete, as most corn is too dry for forage. Overall the state is 5 percent harvested, 4 days behind last year but slightly ahead of normal. The condition rating is 7 percent very poor, 17 percent poor, 33 percent fair, 35 percent good, and 8 percent excellent. Eighty-nine percent of the soybean crop is setting pods, 2 days behind last year but marginally ahead of average. Ten percent is turning color, the same as normal. Four percent is dropping leaves compared with both last year and normal at 2 percent. Soybean condition is rated 8 percent very poor, 18 percent poor, 38 percent fair, 30 percent good, and 6 percent excellent. Sorghum heading is at 90 percent with 44 percent turning color, both about 2 weeks behind last year and several days behind average. Nine percent has reached maturity, 6 days behind last year and slightly behind normal. Harvest has begun in south-central and southeastern counties. Sorghum condition is rated 3 percent very poor, 11 percent poor, 43 percent fair, 39 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.